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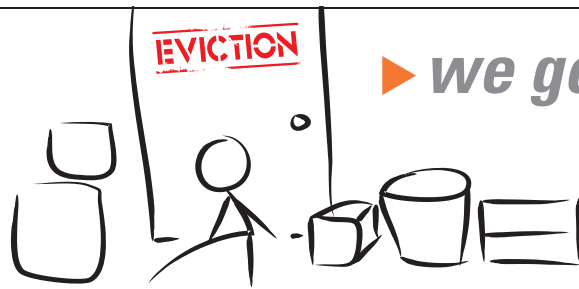
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University childcare helps children grow

By Meredith Siegel
Reporter

Gabby Winger is the mother of a two-year-old and a full time student at the University. When asked to describe her experience balancing these two things, she said, "Hectic. I am always in more than one place. When I'm at school I need to be home and when I'm home I'm thinking about all the things I need to do for school."

She has help from her friends and her family to take care of her son, but she does not utilize on-campus resources for childcare. She was not made aware of the fact that the University has childcare options until

very recently.

Winger has been lucky enough to be able to balance these aspects of her life while having a group of friends she sees. However, those who do not have the same support system can get services through the University.

One is the Child Development Lab that is run through the Family and Consumer Sciences program in the University. Enrollment is open to the public, so students, faculty and staff can put their children, ages three to five, in this program, according to the Child Development Lab page on the University website.

The program is also accredited, which is a part of Ohio licensing, said Niki Holland from the Jordan Family Development Center. "Accreditation means you go above and

beyond to make sure your part is meeting the upmost qualifications."

The program believes in an open classroom approach with space organized into learning laboratories. There is a regular daily schedule with a variety of activities planned and available at different times during each session. Within this framework, children generally select their own tasks to pursue, either individually or in small groups. The expectation is that each child will be actively and productively engaged in a variety of experiences that will further their development socially, intellectually, emotionally and physically, according to the Child Development Lab parent handbook.

The goals outlined for this program em-


phasizes developing a child as an individual.

"When it comes to children, it starts at a young age. These programs help them build their brain, mind and development," Holland said. "It is giving them great experiences and they are learning new things. Their social skills are growing, this is helping them build their future."

"The University Child Development Lab has a lot of students in for placement or observation," Holland said.

This gives students the chance to develop their skills and lessons from the classroom and apply them in a real sense.

Winger has another year with the University, and her son will be 3, so she would consider using on-campus resources for childcare.



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Being pregnant in politics

By Heidi Larson

Columnist

It's a girl! Senator Tammy Duckworth D-Ill., became the first US Senator to give birth while holding a senate position. Duckworth, 50, had her first daughter at age 47 while she was part of the House of Representatives. According to the Chicago Sun-Times, Duckworth is one of 10 women in the history of US Congress to give birth while in office, with all the other births belonging to women serving in the House rather than the Senate.

Senator Duckworth tweeted "Bryan, Abigail and I couldn't be happier to welcome little Maile Pearl as the newest addition to our family and we're deeply honored that our good friend Senator Akaka was able to bless her name for us—his help in naming both of our daughters means he

will always be with us. Pearl Bowlsbey Johnson was Bryan's great Aunt, an Army Officer and a nurse who served during the Second World War. He spent many summer months with her while growing up, we feel her presence still and are grateful for her service to our nation during the most challenging of times. We're also so grateful for the love and support of our friends and family, as well as our wonderful medical teams for everything they've done to help us in our decades-long journey to complete our family."

Many other lawmakers and politicians tweeted their congratulations.

With all this conversation about Duckworth's new arrival, I wonder, is this progress showing that women can have a career and have kids? Or is this focus on women's personal and family life extreme, crowding out these women's accomplishments?

Some news outlets focused their short

blurb on Duckworth's fertility struggles and her two daughters. Others took the time to mention that Duckworth is an Iraq war veteran who lost her legs in an explosion and is sponsoring legislation for families.

When I searched for other elected leaders who gave birth while in office, I only found one: Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto. The "elected leader" criteria eliminates royalty like the Queen of England, who has had children while holding her position. This June, Jacinda Ardern, the Prime Minister of New Zealand, will become the second elected leader to give birth while in office. Again, in Ardern's situation, pregnancy has a tendency to overshadow her other accomplishments. She became the youngest female leader in the world at age 37, according to Time. While it's great to celebrate these pregnancies, let's not forget these women have lives and accomplishments outside of motherhood.

Slurs and SJW movements

By Stepha Poulin

Forum Editor

Rather than furthering their respective movements, terms like "social justice warrior" and "feminist" have become the punchlines of jokes. The dictionary definition may remain the same, but portions of society often view terms such as this in extremes.

Just look at the difference in the dictionary definition for "social justice warrior" and its Urban Dictionary definition.

The Oxford Dictionary definition is short and simple: "A person who expresses or promotes socially progressive views."

The top definition on Urban Dictionary says, "A pejorative term for an individual who repeatedly and vehemently engages in arguments on social justice on the Internet, often in a shallow or not well-thought-out way, for the purpose of raising their own personal reputation. A social justice warrior, or SJW, does not necessarily strongly believe all that they say, or even care about the groups they are fighting on behalf of."

Some people support causes that promote social justice and feminism but prefer not to align themselves with the terms due to these negative connotations. Members of social justice movements may find themselves defending definitions of terms rather than furthering their cause.

For any movement to have meaning, there must be opposition. It gives those promoting a cause an opposing view to create discussion. However, I don't think social justice movements should spend time defending definitions. Things like that could be solved with a simple google search.

The opposition most likely won't take the time to educate themselves on these terms, though.

Those who oppose social justice movements often point to extremists. Anti-feminists often point to women who say, "all men are trash." Someone who opposes Black Lives Matter might claim there is rampant reverse racism (black people being racist towards white people).

When it comes to any issue, the loudest, most inflammatory person often gets the most attention. That's what has tarnished the word "feminism" in my opinion.

Yet, there are other ways to educate opposing sides. Rather than pulling out your phone and reading exact definitions, it is more effective to educate people in real-world circumstances.

Suppose you have a friend who still uses the term "colored people." They might not know exactly why the term is offensive. When someone uses the term, it provokes an image of racial segregation, like having a "whites" and "coloreds" sign above drink fountains in the 1950s.

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— **Stepha Poulin** —
Forum Editor

You don't have to proselytize about your beliefs – it's much easier to tackle issues like this on a case-by-case basis.

It may be frustrating, but we all hold bias toward our beliefs. Some beliefs are most definitely more problematic than others. Yet, it's important to recognize one person can only do so much. That doesn't necessarily mean you have to give up hope on what you believe in.

PEOPLE ON THE STREET

What is usually on your shopping list?



"Hair dye."

AMANDA MICHAEL

Freshman, Longterm Care Administration



"Water bottles."

TORI WEINER

Freshman, Social Work



"Milk."

CHIP CREININ

Freshman, Broadcast Journalism



"Milk, eggs, cereal, soup and macaroni and cheese."

MCKENZIE WEAVER

Junior, Education

Politics in the social media age

By Shiva Bhusal

Columnist

Social media allows negativity to spread in the form of trolls and hoaxes among millions of people at a rampant pace. Conversely, it can serve as a simple and effective medium to fight against racism, dictatorship, injustice, inequality and violence. Historically, the traditional mass media has been the main source of information. With the emergence of social media, everyone around the world with access to the internet has a common platform to express their views and opinions. The source of information is no longer limited to traditional mass media.

Considering the ease, effectiveness and immense potential of social media, it is not surprising to me that the heads of state of most countries are very active on social media. But, in my opinion, no other heads of state in the world use it in more of a direct and undiplomatic manner than President Trump.

I respect his freedom of expression, but some of his tweets and Facebook posts seem utterly childish and inconsiderate to me. One such example is his recent controversial tweet targeted at few underdeveloped countries. The highly criticized tweet was something diplomacy would not usually expect from the president of a great country.

For the elite — the politicians, the leaders and the celebrities — social media serves as a big marketing tool. For common people, it is typically a form of information consumption. The views and opinions of the people we follow on social media have a big impact on our understanding of the world. In this context, the people who boast millions of followers have an additional responsibility to make sure they are honest and respectful to others.

Once one gets engaged in social media, the engagement becomes an obses-



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sion. The reason behind such obsession is information hunger — the want to know what others are doing, what is going on in the world and the desire to share with the world one's views, opinions and even daily activities. Borrowing the words of Mark Griffiths, a researcher on social media at Nottingham Trent University, social media obsession is the pursuit of "social compensation" for the introverts and "social enhancement" for the extroverts.

It is debatable whether the excessive use of social media hinders or enhances the growth of a person, but it is certain that one can't discard social media from their life.

The propaganda, thoughts and opinions expressed in social media are none other than the reflection of the consciousness of our own society. In social media, it is easy to get carried away with your thoughts as the consequences of your action in the virtual world are seen in real life only after a certain period.

The opinions expressed are raw, honest and diverse, and it is very easy for anyone to fall into controversy and sound

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Social media is full of pros and cons, and it is certainly not a panacea to worldly problems. But in the modern-day world where mass media is often crippled with censorship, bias and monotone deliveries, it has immense potential in shaping the political and social consciousness of people.

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MBA program receives 2019 rankings

By Stepha Poulin

Forum Editor

The University's part-time Master of Business Administration program has been ranked 163 in U.S. News & World Report's 2019 Best Grad School Rankings. This is up 41 places from the MBA program's ranking in 2018.

David E. Chatfield, director of graduate and executive programs in business, has worked within the MBA program for eight years. The MBA program has received other rankings throughout the years.

"The Princeton Review publishes a book each year listing the 295 best business schools in the world, and BGSU has been ranked in this book every year it's been in publication – probably 12 years, I would say," he said.

Chatfield says the College of Business has evolved during his time at the University, and recent developments have led to its higher ranking.

He cited the program's growth and retention as one of several factors that explain its higher ranking. One of the main reasons the College of Business has improved growth/retention is its efforts in making the

classroom available to working people.

The University has several locations to receive an MBA, including the main campus, Perrysburg and Findlay. This makes it easier for working students to commute from work to school, as many MBA students work during the day and attend night classes.

The MBA has a unique curriculum schedule that appeals to working students. Those enrolled can come to class once-a-month for eight hours. After 18 months, students will earn their degree while also having time to gain work experience.

Next fall, the program will add a Ph.D. option to the College of Business. The program is also recruiting for an online MBA that will be added in January 2019.

Chatfield stressed the versatility of the MBA program. Students from multiple career paths go on to receive their MBA, like engineers, IT, nurses, franchisees and those pursuing a degree in higher education.

Other than the Princeton Review and the U.S. News & World Report rankings, there are other rankings the business program has obtained. The College of Business is AACSB accredited, ranked on the Poets & Quants list for best business schools, and recognized as one of the best colleges for veterans by the Military Times.

"These rankings are another example that our efforts to help students advance their careers is working," President Rodney Rogers said, in a news update on the University website.

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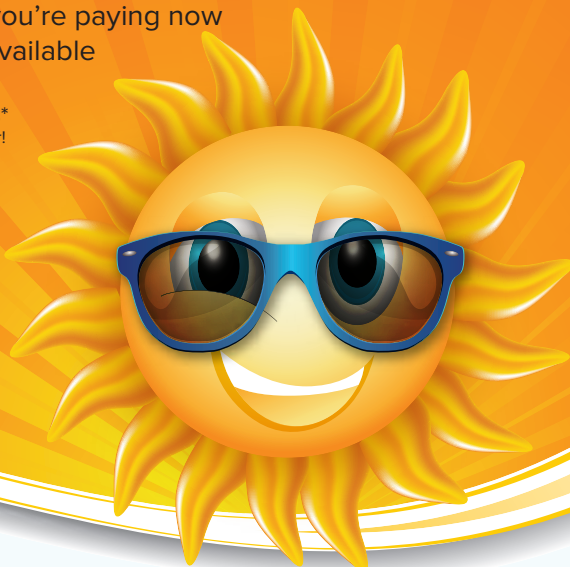
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Great premise enough for “The Titan”

By Jacob Clary

Pulse Editor

“The Titan” on Netflix is a film about humanity and what happens when it is taken away. I enjoyed the film and the story in the movie. The premise was immediately interesting and carried the movie through some of the low points. The acting was also somewhat enjoyable. I liked the movie, but not enough to say it was great or even good.

The premise of the film is what drew me in to watch it and what kept me watching from start to finish. The premise is the human race is dying and people have volunteered to be part of tests to change their biology that would allow them to live on Titan,

“The premise was immediately interesting and carried it through some of the low points.”

one of Saturn's moons. I loved this idea, and even though the film wasn't great, the premise was enough for me to enjoy the film. A lot of the film was the main character's reaction to the treatment that was happening to him.

The story of the film was tethered to the premise, because the premise of the film was the whole film. Not much else happened, which was a good and bad thing. I liked it because the premise was the reason I watched the film and it helped me enjoy the story more. However, it was a hindrance because there was not much else to the film.

The main character would get treatment and then something would happen to him, and then he would get more treatment. I liked it, but for someone who didn't, the film would feel like it was the

same plot point over and over.

The acting of the film was pretty good. The main character of the film, Rick Janssen, was played by Sam Worthington. Some other roles were played by Taylor Schilling, Janssen's wife, and Nathalie Emmanuel, another test subject. The acting from Worthington and Emmanuel were great in showing the reactions to being treated, and Schilling's performance in reacting to what was happening to Worthington was also interesting to watch. I liked watching them perform and looked forward to the next time they reacted to something in the film.

Overall, “The Titan” was an interesting film, but if the premise of the film doesn't grab you, then the movie is not for you. I liked the film because of the premise, but it almost wasn't enough. If you liked what you read about here, then by all means watch the film, but if not, look elsewhere on Netflix for your viewing pleasure.



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New book in Middle Earth universe

By Claire Morrow

Pulse Reporter

After the brief run of the Hobbit franchise in 2014, fans aching for more Middle Earth adventures might just be in luck this summer.

After the death of author JRR Tolkien, many of his notes, story charts and unfinished works were thought to be all but lost. However, thanks to his son Christopher, one of these lost stories has been compiled, edited and will be released to the public this August.

This is not the first time Christopher has produced a complete volume from his father's work. “The Silmarillion” and “Unfinished Tales” have also been added to the lore that helps to build the Tolkien universe.

These new stories, formally named “The Fall of Gondolin,” have appeared in part in previously published material, but this edition will be the first time this story has been published on its own.

The edition being released in August takes place before the well-known “Lord of the Rings” series but still takes place within the same world.

The story is one of Tolkien's very first attempts to create his series. The book is estimated to have been written around the time of World War I.

“The Fall of Gondolin” is said to have been one of the early blueprints for not only the stories of his later works but also the basis for the universe that he would create for all of his later works.

Though this story was originally conceived in the early 20th century, additional revisions were made throughout the 1950s, resulting in the practically finished text.

The new addition to the Tolkien collection tells the story of an Elvish city which was destroyed by an evil spirit, Morgoth. For those who keep up with at least the Tolkien movie universe, Morgoth was the predecessor of the notorious Sauron.

In addition to this copy being the first publishing of this narrative, this release will be the first time the story will have an ending. After Christopher discovered his father's manuscripts, it was uncovered that Tolkien never finished writing the fall of the city.

After piecing together bits of story from other writings and published work, the need for an ending was finally fulfilled.

The novel is said to be written in a style very similar to that of the “Lord of the Rings” trilogy. This means even though fans might not be familiar with the story, they will be more than familiar with the story stylistically.

“The Fall of Gondolin” will be available for purchase Aug. 30.



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Gameplay is more important than graphics

By Jacob Clary

Pulse Editor

Video games are a medium that allow the player to do things they can't do in other media. The best games know how to use video game features to their advantage.

The two main aspects people look at when judging a video game are the graphics and how the game is played. Both aspects bring something important. Graphics help show that a game is different, and might be the first reason people start to pay attention to the game.

The gameplay is all about the minute-to-minute part of the game. The gameplay is about what the player is doing during the game and how they go about playing the game. Both are important, but how a game plays is much more important than how a game looks.

A game could be one of the most gorgeous works of art the industry has made, but if it's not fun or interesting to play, there's not much value to the game and its graphics. For example, "The Order: 1886" is striking visually. The game blends the way the time period looks and uses fantasy elements to create a game that looks like something the industry

hadn't seen at the time of release. However, the game plays like every other third-person shooter on the market, that makes the person playing the game lose interest in what's going on, or at least that's what happened for me. The game loses its unique part because it feels like every other game in the genre.

This is not the only example of the gameplay hindering a game that looks great. "Owlboy," a gorgeous 32-bit game on Steam, Switch and some other platforms, is one of the games that uses the high-bit style to the best use.

The game's graphics are its best aspect unfortunately, because the gameplay is terrible. Playing the game isn't fun at all, and I was surprised I was able to get to the end of the game because of how much I disliked playing the game. The game's control were difficult to get used to and the amount of action happening on the screen at once even started to hinder the best aspect of it, the graphics, because I couldn't understand what was happening on the screen.

The opposite side of the spectrum are games that don't look amazing, or aren't typically considered great-looking, but play great. Two specific games I'll mention are "Celeste" and "Steamworld Dig 2." Both games aren't necessarily great-looking, but

they are fun to play, some of the most fun I've had playing a game in the last couple years. In terms of "Celeste," it has some of the best controls in a game I've played in a long time. "Celeste" is one of those platforms that the player is supposed to die a lot, but when they

do die, it's not the game's fault. Because of how much fun to play the game is, and the perfection of its controls, the player doesn't want to stop.

"Steamworld Dig 2" is similar to "Celeste" in that its controls are amazing. Because of the way the game plays, the person playing doesn't want to stop

playing the game. The loop of the game is finding treasure, returning to town to make money and then go and find more treasure. This could get old quickly, but because of how great the game plays, it doesn't. The gameplay of both games makes the way they look not matter almost at all.

Video games use both aspects, gameplay and graphics, to succeed. Games like "The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild" and "Bloodborne" are two games that look great and also play great. These two games are some of the highest rated in this console generation. They used the graphics to their advantage, but the gameplay is what really made those games what they are. The best way to get someone to keep playing a game is to have a game that is fun to play.

Gameplay is the cornerstone of what makes a video game a video game. A game that plays well will succeed more often than just a game that just looks good. This is because video games are meant to be played, not just looked at, and if a game doesn't play very well, then I don't think it deserves to succeed as much as a similar game that plays great. Graphics are important but not as much as the way the game plays.

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Men’s golf set to play at Ohio State

By Jamison Terbrack
Sports Reporter

In a sport like golf, it is virtually impossible to play with snow on the ground and that is why the Bowling Green Men’s Golf team got snowed out in West Virginia last weekend and did not get the opportunity to compete in the Greenbrier Invitational.

“Not many guys get the opportunity to play at a PGA course like Greenbrier,” Falcons coach John Powers said. “It would have been a good experience.”

Now the team is strapped with a difficult, quick turnaround as the next tournament will be next weekend, April 21 and 22, at the Robert Kepler Invitational at Ohio State. The Falcons will compete against many MAC and Big Ten teams. The weekend after that, the team will wrap up in the MAC Championships in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The team’s success depends on the individual performance of the players.

Coach Powers could not single out one player

“I want them to know that we are working hard whenever we get the chance.”

John Powers
Falcons Head Coach

who has been the most valuable of the year so far. He said that different guys have been stepping up when they need them to.

Golf is different than many other college sports because, yes, you are on a team, but you score individually and play without teammates from your school in invitationals.

Preparation for these tournaments has been a little strange for the team.

The closing of Forrest Creason golf course was sad,

Powers said. It was a place where the team could go play a quick round and get some shots in on short notice. However, he is excited for the opportunity this presents to Stone Ridge golf club and Riverby Hills golf club to improve themselves.

“I want them to know that we are working hard whenever we get the chance,” Coach Powers said. “As long as it is over 32 degrees outside and there is not lightning, we will be out hitting balls and trying to improve.”

Although the weather has not been extremely kind to the team as of late, the team and the players have to know what to expect when playing for a team in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Powers has been channeling his favorite golfers as he trains and works with the team.

Coach Powers’ favorite PGA golfer is Tiger Woods, and although he may not agree with his off-the-course persona, he is a model of perfect form and he brings a great entertainment level. He brings something to the game in terms of excitement that not many else have been able to do.

Pinpointing a PGA player for his guys to model themselves after was not easy for Coach Powers. It all depends on the skills of the golfer. Whether they are a big hitter like Dustin Johnson, a wizard with the putter like Jordan Spieth, or a shorter player like Tommy Fleetwood, it is important to find someone with a similar skill and physical set.

Although the snow out in Greenbrier may have put a damper on things, Coach Powers and his team will not stop working hard and are determined to finish the season strong.

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AT MAC CHAMPIONSHIP



By Zane Miller

Sports Editor

The Falcon baseball team fell to the Western Michigan Broncos 9-4 on Friday afternoon, the only game played in a scheduled three-game series. Rain forced the cancellation of the two remaining games.

With the loss, the team moves to a 4-6 record in MAC games this season.

"We need to start turning it up a few notches and start figuring out a way to win these games," Falcons head coach Danny Schmitz said. "Every time we take the field, we're playing to win, but we really need to figure out how to play a complete game, especially in conference play."

The game began with the Falcons getting off to a strong start offensively. In the second inning, junior infielder Cam Daugherty hit an RBI double, followed by a two RBI single courtesy of sophomore outfielder Jake Wilson. Western Michigan would score a run in the bottom of the inning on an RBI groundout to make it a 3-1 game.

"We put a three spot on the board in the second inning," Schmitz said. "They kind of shut our offense down."

In the fifth, Western Michigan's offense came to life with a three-run home run to take the lead. The Falcons were able to tie it back up as junior infielder Neil Lambert

came home on a wild pitch in the sixth, but Western Michigan responded in the bottom of the inning with a pair of RBI singles and a pair of RBI doubles to put themselves ahead once again. Then, the Broncos tacked on another run in the seventh on an RBI single, as they went on to win it 9-4.

"Defensively, we did not play as well in the fifth and sixth innings," Schmitz said. "We basically gave them extra outs and that's kind of what happens when you give them extra outs, it normally comes back to bite you and that's what it did. The bottom line is, they out-executed us, they outhit us, they out-pitched us and definitely played better D than we did. They deserved to win and we need to do a better job."

However, the team believes that it has the potential to have a strong second half of the season by playing more consistently.

"We play hard, we just don't play a complete game," Schmitz said. "We don't put the three phases together from first pitch to last pitch and for some reason we just don't get it done. It's something that we've talked to the team about and they're well aware of it, but the bottom line is that we've got to execute on a more consistent basis on the positive side."

The Falcons will next play Tuesday afternoon at home against the Kent State Golden Flashes.



Junior infielder Cam Daugherty looks to bat in a game this season.

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Softball takes both games against Buffalo



Junior outfielder Kali Holcomb bats earlier this season.

PHOTO BY MICHAELA DAVIS

By Jamison Terbrack

Sports Reporter

The Falcon women's softball team took two in a double header on Friday against the Buffalo Bulls. The wins were important, as they carried the team over the .500 mark and now sit at 21-19 overall. They have a record of 4-9 in MAC play.

Game one would go to the Falcons by a score of 7-3 and game two was by a score of 11-1.

"Our offense did a great job today in their approach and execution at the plate," Falcons coach Sarah Willis said. "Hitting is contagious, and it is great to see the bats coming to life."

Junior pitcher Meredith Miller got the win in game one to extend her record to 11-11 on the year in game one. Junior pitcher Brooke Parker took game two to get to 9-6.

"Our defense was solid behind our

pitching staff today. Both Miller and Parker threw their game and gave us consistent results. Both games were solid team wins," Willis said.

The Falcons played tremendously on Friday as they hit a robust .444 as a team on the day and took the second game with a mercy rule. This was the first time the Falcons run-ruled a team in almost six seasons.

Five different Falcons hit home runs on the day, as six different players for the Falcons scored at least two runs and seven had two or more RBIs. Four had at least four hits on the day.

Freshman middle-infielder Sammy Dees had a day to remember on her young campaign. She went five for six with a double, a home run and three runs scored.

Senior shortstop Aspen Searle went four for six as well as junior outfielder Kali Holcomb and infielder junior Kaylee Parker. Holcomb and Parker both had a home run as did senior catcher Laine Simmons.

Half of ER visits considered non-emergent

By **Shelby Spencer**
Reporter

Over half of emergency room visits in the U.S. are considered non-emergent by the New England Healthcare Institute. These visits are causing issues for both the patients and the hospitals.

Dakota Ladd said he sees this often at Hackley Hospital in Muskegon, Michigan, where he works as a registered nurse.

“Honestly, I’d say upwards of 75 percent don’t need to come to the ER,” he said. “That may seem high, but most of the issues that people come in with could be resolved with a trip to their primary care doctor or an urgent care at most.”

When patients go to an ER for symptoms that could be treated by their primary care physician or an urgent care, it increases wait times for people who are in need of the emergency services.

“It causes the ER to fill up very quickly which leads to a lot of issues such as truly sick patients waiting longer for care, increased wait times to be seen and extra stress on the limited amount of staff,” Ladd said.

Abby Howard is a monitor technician at Pro-Medica hospital in Monroe, Michigan, who said her

staff struggles with similar situations every day.

“On nights that we are busy, we are regularly faced with running out of beds,” she said. “Many of those taken up by simple cold symptoms or ankle injuries, while we have more high acuity patients left without a place to be treated.”

Ryleigh Poupard was one of those patients in need of care who was forced to wait at an ER after she lost consciousness, fracturing and cutting her jaw.

“I sat in the waiting room of Mercy Hospital (Monroe) for like 20 minutes until they got a room clear, while blood was gushing from my chin,” she said.

Along with longer wait times, overcrowding in ERs can spread more illness.

“It also increases the spread of communicable

illnesses, such as the flu,” Ladd said. “Most people that come in with the flu or another virus just need fluids, rest and Tylenol or Motrin. By coming in, they expose everyone around them to what they have, which causes people that aren’t sick to get sick when they leave. It can also cause a shortage of supplies and other resources.”

Reasons for overcrowding in ERs include that many people don’t know when it’s appropriate to seek emergency care or are unaware of the other resources available to them.

“I get calls all the time from people who don’t know they can get ahold of the on-call doctor for their family physician at night,” Howard said.

Patients often think of their primary care physician as a longer wait for an appointment, but that is

usually not the case.

“Several primary care doctors that I’ve talked to said they would most of the time try to see patients the same day if they called their office,” Ladd said. Ladd also said it can be difficult for someone without a medical background to know what’s really a medical emergency.

He said that the very old and very young need to be watched more closely and reasons to come in to an ER could be high fever that persists after giving Motrin or Tylenol, someone being truly lethargic, or severe dehydration.

“Ultimately the solution is education of the public on what is a true emergency and what isn’t,” Ladd said. “We try to do that when they do come to the ER but it isn’t always effective.”



Most ER patients could be seen by urgent care providers or family doctors, effectively helping lower the wait times for patients really in need of emergency services.

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Kroger ClickList keeps shoppers organized

By Danielle Kane
Reporter

Turn a two-hour shopping trip at the grocery store into five minutes.

Online ordering makes grocery shopping quick.

ClickList, a Kroger app that started May 2017, is the latest addition to the local online grocery shopping market.

"We get a lot of new shoppers that we've taken from our competitors that have straight up told us just for the simple fact that they don't have to go in the store shopping. They like that," said Branden Tomes, team leader for ClickList at the Bowling Green Kroger.

Other grocery stores in BG include Walmart and Meijer. Walmart has curbside assistants, but the service is only offered locally in Perrysburg. Meijer offers a service called Shipt. For an annual membership fee of \$99, customers can order at Shipt.com/Meijer and the products are delivered to their home. ClickList charges \$4.95 per order after the first three orders, which are free.

Senior Tasha Purcell said she doesn't care about the fee.

"I'm really pressed for time with being a nursing student and having clinicals. So, it makes it much easier on time," Purcell said.

Faculty member Julie Hagenbuch loves the convenience, especially during the school year.

"\$4.95 is a bargain," Hagenbuch said. "I have the app running on my computer, so when we run out of an item my kids can click it."

ClickList customers pick up their order right from their car. They can pay online, or employees have portable check out.

Kroger has hired 25 new staff members to

help with ClickList orders and hopes to grow the program.

"We get 20-25 new customers on average based off of competitors," Tomes said.

Despite the convenience, some customers would rather shop in the store.

"I don't use ClickList because I like to pick my own produce, and I like to take my time and get everything I need, instead of clicking on an app where I can buy unnecessary things," Kayla Madsen, a senior nursing major, said.

Tomes said some people prefer to choose their actual vegetables and expirations dates, so they would rather come into the store themselves instead of having someone else pick out

produce for them.

ClickList and other online grocery services may just be getting started in Bowling Green, but economics experts project the revenue nationwide will double by 2021.

Here are the steps:

- Order online using the Kroger ClickList app.
- Pick a time when you want to pick up your order.
- Go to the Kroger store and call the number provided to tell them you have arrived.
- You pull up to the designated area and workers come and load up your order.

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By Brandon Long
Reporter

The University hosted its second, student-organized TEDx event, which featured speakers from the Bowling Green campus and community.

The TEDx brand promotes "ideas worth spreading," Carly Dudek, the student organizer of the event, said.

This event, from designing name tags to curating speeches, was a student effort.

"In a way, it is like a theatre performance. You're always putting on a show for someone. We did blocking, we did arranging of lights, so you have all of these theatrical elements," Dudek said.

TEDx is an independently organized TED-experience. University students spear-

headed the opportunity to spread ideas on campus.

"I was awestruck by the diverse ideas," Lisa Hanasono, TEDx speaker and associate professor of communications, said. "These ideas cut across disciplinary boundaries. We had one speaker who talked about Tilapia. We had another person talk about her survival story of sexual assault. We had someone who talked about mindfulness, higher education, I talked about coping with pregnancy loss."

Student organizers held auditions for speakers prior to the event. They were looking for more than public speaking skills, though.

"What we looked for was passion," Dudek said.

Speakers, like Hanasono, were able to network with people who related to their talks at the receptions.

"The combination of everyone's voices

coming together and the stimulation of good ideas...After my presentation I've had multiple people come to me, and they started to share their own story of pregnancy loss," Hanasono said.

Deborah Hendricks, academic advisor in Health and Human Services, gave a talk titled "Sit up and Pay Attention."

"The TEDx team, the student workers, they've been amazing in pulling this together. The workshops we did in critiquing each other really helped us grow as individuals and leaders," Hendricks said.

Hendricks is working on her doctorate at the University and is researching the effects of meditation in higher education.

"I love spreading the news of mindfulness because I feel there are so many benefits," Hendricks said.

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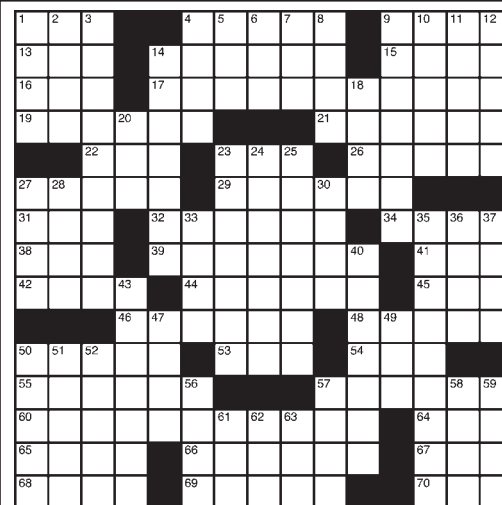
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